



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 1048

January Session, 2009

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AN ACT CONCERNING BULK PURCHASING OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2009*) (a) The Commissioners of
2 Social Services and Administrative Services and the Comptroller, in
3 consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health, shall develop a
4 plan to (1) implement and maintain a prescription drug purchasing
5 program and procedures to aggregate or negotiate the purchase of
6 pharmaceuticals for pharmaceutical programs benefiting state-
7 administered general assistance, HUSKY Plan, Part B, Charter Oak
8 Health Plan and ConnPACE recipients, inmates of the Department of
9 Correction, and persons eligible for coverage under the group
10 hospitalization and medical and surgical insurance plans procured
11 under section 5-259 of the general statutes, and (2) have the state join
12 an existing multistate Medicaid pharmaceutical purchasing pool. Such
13 plan shall determine the feasibility of subjecting some or all of the
14 component programs set forth in subdivision (1) of this subsection to
15 the preferred drug lists adopted pursuant to section 17b-274d of the
16 general statutes.

17 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall submit the plan
18 authorized by subsection (a) of this section, including (1) a timetable
19 for its implementation, (2) anticipated costs or savings resulting from

20 its implementation and maintenance, (3) a timetable for achievement of
21 any such savings, and (4) proposed legislative recommendations
22 necessary to implement such plan to the joint standing committees of
23 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
24 health, human services and appropriations and the budgets of state
25 agencies, not later than December 31, 2009, in accordance with the
26 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2009	New section

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